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CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFO

NAME: Leslie Brock Yates

BIRTH DATE: May 31, 1959

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

2011-Present **Visiting Judge:** Presided over hundreds of jury trials in Criminal District Court, Criminal County Court and Civil County Courts in Harris and surrounding counties; Appointed to preside over cases in Texas Appellate Courts;

2011-Present **Certified Mediator:** Successfully mediated numerous complex civil lawsuits and appeals in Harris and surrounding counties;

2011-Present **Volunteer Mediator:** Mediated cases for the Dispute Resolution Center in Houston, Texas;

1994-2010 **Justice, Fourteenth Court of Appeals (Houston):** First woman and youngest judge elected to the 14th Court. Presided over both civil and criminal appeals from Harris and surrounding counties. Presided over hundreds of oral arguments as the chief panel judge and issued thousands of appellate opinions;

1992-1994 **General Litigation Specialist Union Pacific Railroad:** Responsible for all types of litigation cases and jury trials in Texas and Louisiana including FELA and general liability cases.

1984-1992 **Assistant District Attorney, Harris County District Attorney's Office:** Tried over 100 jury trials in District and County Courts. Established the Gang Prosecutor Task Force in the Special Crimes Bureau; Felony Court Chief Prosecutor; Appellate Division; Deputy Misdemeanor Bureau Chief.

EDUCATION

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| 1984 | Juris Doctorate University of Houston Law Center |
| 1981 | Bachelor of Arts, University of Florida |

ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- **Texas State Bar (1984)**
- **U.S. District Court Southern District of Texas**
- **Certified Mediator 2010 (South Texas College of Law)**

SPEAKING / TEACHING

- **Lecturer, University of Houston Law Center & South Texas College of Law**
- **Speaker, State Bar of Texas Continuing Legal Education Programs**
- **Speaker, Houston Bar Association**
- **Published numerous legal articles**

MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

- **Member of State Bar of Texas**
- **Member of Houston Bar Association**
- **Member, Texas Association of Mediators**
- **Member, American Bar Association**
- **Council Member of the University of Texas System Chancellor's Council**

